Kim language

The **Kim language** of southern Chad is an Mbum language spoken by 15,000 people. It is one of the three members of the Kim languages group, together with Besme and Goundo.

The language was once mistakenly classified as Chadic, and called *Masa*, a Chadic name.

There is strong dialectical divergence; Blench considers Garap (Éré), Gerep (Djouman, Jumam), Kolop (Kilop, Kolobo), and Kosop (Kwasap, Kim) to be distinct languages.[3]

Kim	
Native to	Chad
Ethnicity	Kim
Native speakers	(15,000 cited 1993 census)[1]
Language family	Niger–Congo - Atlantic–Congo - Mbum–Day - Kim languages **Kim**
Dialects	Garap Gerep Kolop Kosop
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	kia
Glottolog	kimm1246 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/kimm1246)[2]

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